

Public Health Act, 1875.

REPORT

On the Health and Sanitary Condition of the

WESTBURY URBAN SANITARY DISTRICT

for the Year

1943

Presented to the Westbury Urban District Council

by

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WESTBURY URBAN DISTRICT

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of the Medical Officer of Health on the
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To the Chairman and Members of the
Westbury Urban District Council.

I beg to present my Annual Report for 1943 on
the Health and Sanitary Condition of your
District.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

Area - 3,686 acres.

Population 1931 - 4044. 1943 (estimated) e
4,750.

Number of inhabited houses - 1,373.

Rateable Value - £24,489.

Product of a Penny Rate under Rating and
Valuation Act 1925 - £109. 14. 3.

Chief occupation of the inhabitants -

Clothworkers, Glovers, Railway Employees,
Cheese Factory Workers and Agricultural
Labourers.

EXTRACT FROM VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR.

BIRTHS

Legitimate-Male 46, Female 42)

Illegitimate- Male 3, Female 1) Total 92.

Still Births. Legitimate- 1 Female, Total 1.

Birth Rate- 19.5 per 1000.

Birth Rate for England and Wales-15.8 per 1000.

DEATHS.

Male 25, Female 26, Total 51.

Death Rate - 10.7 per 1000.

Death Rate for England and Wales-11.6 per 1000.

Number of women dying in or in consequence of childbirth - Nil.

Deaths of infants under 1 year of age -
Male 2 (Legitimate)

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES DURING THE YEAR.

Scarlet Fever - 19

Whooping Cough - 8

Diphtheria - 1

Puerperal Pyrexia - 1

Pneumonia - 1

Measles - 89

Erysipelas - 2

Cerebrospinal Fever - 1

Tuberculosis - New cases notified in year, 8.

Pulmonary. Non-Pulmonary.

	M.	F.	M.	F.
1-5 years			2	2
10-15 "	1			
30-40 "	2		1	

NURSING ARRANGEMENTS, HOSPITALS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS AVAILABLE FOR THE DISTRICT.

Nursing:- There is one certified Midwife who also undertakes general Nursing in your District.

Clinics:- Maternity and Child Welfare -
District Nurse.

School Clinics - Under County Council.

Tubercular Clinic - Trowbridge,

Wednesdays, 10 to 1, by C.T.O.

Orthopaedic Clinic-Trowbridge, Fridays 10-1.

General Clinic - Trowbridge.

Hospitals:- Tuberculosis: Winsley Sanatorium;
Barnham, Salisbury.

Isolation Hospital - Trowbridge.

Smallpox - Swindon.

Westbury & District Hospital - 20 beds.

Prideaux Hospital, Westbury.
Institution for Unmarried Mothers - None.

LABORATORY WORK.

Arrangements are made with the Salisbury Infirmary Pathological Department for Pathological and Bacterial Examinations for cases of suspected Tuberculosis, Diphtheria and Typhoid Fever.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

Infectious cases - Provided by Isolation Hospital.

Non-infectious and Accident cases -
Westbury Hospital Ambulance.

LEGISLATION IN FORCE.

Adoptive Acts.

Public Health Amendment Act, 1890.
Infectious Diseases Prevention Act, 1890.
Public Health Act, 1925.

Byelaws.

Buildings (Revised 1939).
New Streets (Revised 1939).
Nuisances.
Cleansing of Footways, Ashpits, Privies, Etc.
Slaughterhouses.
Common Lodging Houses.

Regulations.

Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops.

WATER SUPPLY.

The total number of gallons pumped during the year to supply the Urban District and the Parish of Dilton Marsh has been 92,974,950, being an average of 254,723 gallons per day.

DRAINAGE & CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

Improvement in the drainage of existing premises has taken place in respect of three houses, additional water closets being provided.

New water closets have also been provided in two other houses.

SCAVENGING.

A weekly collection of house refuse is made by the Local Authority.

CAUSES OF DEATH.

	Male.	Female.
ALL CAUSES	25	26
Cancer of uterus		3
" " stomach & duodenum	1	
" " Other sites	3	3
Intra cranial vascular lesions	2	1
Heart Disease	7	8
Bronchitis		1
Other Respiratory diseases	2	2
Digestive diseases	1	1
Nephritis	2	1
Premature Birth	1	
Congenital Malformation	1	
Violent cause	1	
Other causes	4	6

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

E. T. SHORLAND.

